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1. The barracks installation at the intersection of ul. 11-go Listopada (south side) and ul. Kpt. Poponaskiego (east side), Lodz (Q 52/O 93), was occupied to capacity by Polish infantry troops in August 1950. When the troops left the installation for three weeks of field training in 1948, they were organized into four units of about 100 men each. The troops wore Polish Army uniforms with triangular red collar patches. When off duty, officers and NCOs wore visor-type caps with a red ribbon. Source observed only rifles and submachine guns with the troops. Motor vehicles or horse-drawn vehicles were not seen in the billeting area. Officers from the installation were frequently seen to go to the barracks installation on ul. Sw. Jerzego, where a headquarters was said to be located. *
 2. The large barracks building at the intersection of ul. Sw. Jerzego (west side) and ul. 11-go Listopada (south side) housed a military headquarters in August 1950. Officers seen entering and leaving the building always had red ribbons on their caps and red collar patches. No general was observed with the headquarters. ** The barracks building adjoining the headquarters building on the north quartered not more than 150 young soldiers who were armed with rifles and sub-machine guns. No training activity was observed in the billeting area.
 3. The habitable section of the old barracks installation at the intersection of ul. Strzelcow Kan'owskich (west side) and ul. Wiczkowskiego (south side) was occupied to capacity by Polish infantry troops, wearing red collar patches, in August 1950. The barracks section was four or five stories high and about 80 meters long. The northern wing of the building, fronting on ul. 1-go Maja, had been destroyed during the war. No vehicles or heavy weapons were observed in the installation which, with the exception of an assembly ground, had no facilities for the storage of heavy material. For training, the troops used to leave the installation. ***

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- * [redacted] Comment. The installation quarters an infantry battalion which another source described as a motorized infantry battalion. [redacted] 25X1A
The motor vehicles of the unit were apparently sheltered on a square east of the main railroad station. [redacted] 25X1A
- ** [redacted] Comment. According to [redacted] installation housed the headquarters of an infantry regiment and, in one wing, military police. See "CL-11720". The regimental headquarters is confirmed by the present report.

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*** Comment. The pinpoint location of the installation, described as being located on the north side of ul. 1-go Maja, has not been determined. The installation was previously reported to quarter about 200 infantry troops who probably belonged to the headquarters of the infantry regiment on ul. Sw. Jerzego.

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